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COMPANY:	USPTO	DATE:	June 10, 2002
FAX NUMBER:	703-308-6916	TOTAL NO. OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER:	12
PHONE NUMBER:		SENDER'S REFERENCE NUMBER:	4989-009
RE:	Request for Reconsideration	YOUR REFERENCE NUMBER:	09/853,827

☐ URGENT ☐ FOR REVIEW ☐ PLEASE COMMENT ☐ PLEASE REPLY ☐ ORIGINAL TO FOLLOW

## NOTES/COMMENTS:

Please find attached the following items:

- 1) Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)
- 2) Exhibit A: Copies of letters sent to inventors, along with return receipt
- 3) Exhibit B: Declaration concerning refusal of inventors to sign paperwork

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: *Lang et al.*

Serial No. 09/853,827

Filed: 05/11/2001

For: **AUTOMATIC CONFIGURATION FOR PORTABLE DEVICES**Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)**

In response to a decision refusing status mailed April 17, 2002, please find enclosed the below-described items correcting deficiencies in the original petition. As noted in the decision, the requisite petition fee has been paid. If any additional fees are required in association with this response, the Director is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account 50-1732, and consider this a petition therefor.

The decision refusing status states that requirement (1) was not satisfied by the original petition. Requirement (1) is proof that the non-signing inventor(s) cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings). Attached as Exhibit A are letters mailed to the non-signing inventors via registered mail on April 25, 2002, along with photocopies of the return receipt from the United States Postal Service. As mentioned in the letters, the inventors were given approximately a month and a half to sign and return the Declaration and Assignment papers. They were informed that if they did not return such papers by June 1, 2002 we would assume they are unwilling to sign. In various telephone conversations with the non-signing inventors, they have indicated and reiterated their reluctance to sign the necessary paperwork.

Attached as Exhibit B is a declaration attesting to the fact that the non-signing inventors have not returned the signed paperwork as of today, June 10, 2002. The Office of Petitions is invited to contact the undersigned to resolve any further issues. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Serial No. 09/853,827

Respectfully submitted,

WITHROW &amp; TERRANOVA, P.L.L.C.

By:



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Date: June 10, 2002

Attorney Docket: 4989-009

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# EXHIBIT A

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April 25, 2002

Mr. Alex Lang  
3032 Stone Gap Court  
Raleigh, NC 27612

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

PETITIONS OFFICE

Re: KeyNetica Application and Paperwork  
**AUTOMATIC CONFIGURATION FOR PORTABLE DEVICES**  
Our File: 4989-009

Dear Alex:

Please find enclosed:

- 1) A copy of the application (specification, claims, and abstract) and drawings for the above-mentioned application
- 2) Declaration prepared for your signature
- 3) Assignment prepared for your signature

Please review the enclosed application, sign and date the enclosed paperwork, and return it to us using the contact information listed above. If we do not receive the paperwork by **June 1, 2002**, we will assume that you are unwilling to sign. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,



Benjamin S. Withrow

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SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION		COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired.</li><li>■ Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.</li><li>■ Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.</li></ul>		<p>A. Signature <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agent <input type="checkbox"/> Addressee</p> <p>X <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>B. Received by (Printed Name) <i>Alex Lang</i> C. Date of Delivery <i>6/12/02</i></p> <p>D. Is delivery address different from item 1? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If YES, enter delivery address below:</p> <p>3. Service Type <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Registered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt for Merchandise <input type="checkbox"/> Insured Mail <input type="checkbox"/> C.O.D.</p> <p>4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p>	
1. Article Addressed to: <i>Mr. Alex Lang 3032 Stone Gap Court Raleigh, NC 27612</i>			
2. Article Number (Transfer from service label)		<i>7099 3408 0012 0793 9186</i>	
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April 25, 2002

Mr. Brian J. Adkins  
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April 25, 2002

Mr. David Sharp  
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Chapel Hill, NC 27514

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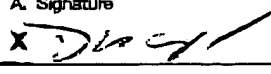
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<b>1. Article Addressed to:</b> Mr. David Sharp 12 Cobb Terrace Chapel Hill, NC 27514		<b>B. Received by (Printed Name)</b> David Sharp	<b>C. Date of Delivery</b> 9-27-02
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## EXHIBIT B

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Sir:

**DECLARATION UNDER MPEP § 409.03(d) CONCERNING  
REFUSAL OF INVENTORS TO SIGN PAPERWORK**

I, Jennifer Rush, being first duly sworn, do hereby depose and say:

On April 25, 2002, I mailed copies of the above-referenced application (specification, claims, abstract, and drawings) and paperwork (Declaration and Assignment) to Alex Lang, David Sharp, and Brian Adkins, the non-signing inventors for the application. In the letter, the inventors were given a deadline of June 1, 2002 to return the requisite signed paperwork.

Further, as of June 10, 2002, I have received no signed paperwork from any of the above-named inventors.

Further, Declarant saith not.

Date: June 10, 2002

Attorney Docket: 4989-009

  
Jennifer Rush  
Paralegal, Withrow & Terranova, P.L.L.C.